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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (YEAR B) - 31ST MAY 2015 SUNDAY THOUGHT

Being born into a family is a birth-right. Growing in relationship with family members, accepting their values, sacrificing for their good is a constant choice. While a birth family can be rejected, the reality of being born into a given family cannot be changed. Baptism is our birth into the Trinity and the family of the church. It is our choice to accept or reject this baptismal birth-right.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity. Belonging to the Trinity is our baptismal birth-right. It is God's unparalleled gift to us to be invited into the intimate, relational life of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It is our choice to accept or reject this gift.

We accept our baptismal family when we, for example, gather with other members of the church for liturgy, share ourselves and our goods with the less fortunate than us, forgive those who hurt us, help others grow in their love of God. We reject our baptismal family when we turn against another, destroy another's reputation with idle gossip, do not take time for prayer, put ourselves first. God gives us all the help we need to choose to live our baptismal birth-right in the intimate Life of the Most Holy Trinity. Do we choose it?

Entrance Antiphon: Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34. 39-40

Response to Psalm: Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

2nd Reading: Romans 8:14-17

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Communion Antiphon: Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading: Exodus 24:3-8; **2nd Reading:** Hebrews 9:11-15; **Gospel:** Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

Rickmansworth: Envelopes: £735.83; Loose Plate: £503.41; Standing Orders: £499.00 **Total: £1738.24**

Mill End: Envelopes: £271.58; Loose Plate: £142.66; Standing Orders: £93.75 **Total: £507.99**

Chorleywood: The Offertory collection for the month of April amounted to **£1928.86**

CAFOD Nepal Earthquake Appeal: Rickmansworth £831.55; Mill End £460.06; Chorleywood £277.50

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

FROM THE PARISH DIARIES

SUN 31ST MAY	11.30am	Sunday Brunch (proceeds donated to Aid to the Church in Need)	St John the Evangelist
MON 1ST JUNE	10.00am - 11.45am 8.00pm	Lets Get Together and Grow - Hall Choir Practice	Our Lady Help of Christians St John the Evangelist
TUE 2ND JUNE	7.30pm	Faith Matters Discussion Group - Hall	St John the Evangelist
WED 3RD JUNE			
THU 4TH JUNE	8.00pm - 9.30pm	Life in the Spirit Prayer Group - Hall	Our Lady Help of Christians
FRI 5TH JUNE	10.00am	Coffee after Mass for all - Hall	Our Lady Help of Christians
SAT 6TH JUNE	10.30am - 11.30am 5.30pm 5.30pm	Holy Hour with Benediction and Confessions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Our Lady Help of Christians St John the Evangelist St John Fisher

Mass Times and Intentions this Week

	Our Lady Help of Christians	St John the Evangelist	St John Fisher
SATURDAY 30 TH MAY	11am First Holy Communion Mass	6pm (Vigil) Johnnie Brennan	6pm (Vigil) Kathleen Stewart RIP
SUNDAY 31 ST MAY <i>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</i>	8.30am For the People of the Parish 11am Johnny Deane RIP 6pm Jerzy Mazurkiewicz RIP (Anniv.)	10.30am For the People of the Parish	9am For the People of the Parish
MONDAY 1 ST JUNE <i>ST JUSTIN, MARTYR</i>	9.30am Enid Covington (Ints.)	9.30am Mary McLoughlin RIP	
TUESDAY 2 ND JUNE	9.30am Jean Moore RIP		No Mass today
WEDNESDAY 3 RD JUNE <i>ST CHARLES LWANGA AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS</i>		9.30am Tim Danagher RIP	
THURSDAY 4 TH JUNE	9.30am Mary Robinson RIP		
FRIDAY 5 TH JUNE <i>ST BONIFACE, BISHOP & MARTYR</i>	9.30am Tess Logan RIP		9.30am For the Sick and House-bound of the Parish
SATURDAY 6 TH JUNE	10.00am In Thanksgiving (Mrs Montesdeoca)	6pm (Vigil) John Gibbs RIP (Anniv.)	6pm (Vigil) Private Intention
SUNDAY 7 TH JUNE <i>THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)</i>	8.30am Powell Family (Ints.) 11am Ramiro Montesdeoca RIP (1 st Anniv.) 6pm For the People of the Parish	10.30am For the People of the Parish	9am For the People of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISHES

Our Lady Help of Christians: Maureen Digges, Elsie Alexander, Vinny Spiteri, Ruary Chisholm, Kathleen Collins, Wendy Goldsmith, Kathy Wright, John Overend, Monica Clatworthy, Tony Infante, Brenda Reynolds, Brian Hunt, Maureen Giles, Olive Cordery, Neville Mathews, Norah MacWilliam, Agnes Harper, Diana Price, Joan Marioni, Eileen Durkan, Ginny Goodgol, Roshini Alles, Maureen Douglas and Maria Wallis.

St John the Evangelist: Jean Mulderrig; Rita Murray; Margaret Sweeney; Clare Schofield; Joyce Baldwin, Margaret (Meg) Cunningham, Imogen Bailey and Harry Lennon.

St John Fisher: Nora O'Toole, Francis De Souza, Georgina Kelham, Rita Garrett, Pete Murray, Steve Kibbey, Matthew Leone, Jean-Pierre Roche, Fr Peter Stevens, Angela Hoy, Tony and Pat Finucane, Colin Dowling, Margaret Lamb, Jacob Stern, Barbara Marke, Paddy Holly and Thomas Gillies.

NOTICES FOR ALL THREE PARISHES

RECOMMISSIONING OF MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION (6TH/7TH JUNE)

Ministers of Holy Communion will be re-commissioned in all three parishes at the Sunday Masses next weekend (Corpus Christi).

FAITH MATTERS DISCUSSION GROUP

During June our Faith Matters Discussion Group will be reflecting on the following topics:

Tuesday 2nd June – Praying for persecuted Christians

Tuesday 9th June – Proclaim '15: Meeting Jesus – the only one who can save me

Tuesday 16th June – Proclaim '15: Learning to be a missionary disciple – sitting at the feet of Jesus

Tuesday 23rd June – Proclaim '15: Jesus is alive – go and tell my brothers

Tuesday 30th June – Proclaim '15: How can we be missionary disciples? Developing a plan of action

Proclaim '15 is an evangelisation initiative which has been launched to support, inspire and encourage new expressions of parish evangelisation. A project of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, it is designed to affirm the good work that is already being done by the Catholic community, and to provide resources and events to profile and develop new expressions of Catholic joy and missionary outreach. During June our Faith Matters Discussion group will be using some of the resources produced for the Proclaim '15 initiative. The meetings take place at 7.30pm at St John's Parish Centre, Mill End. All parishioners are warmly invited.

PETER CZARNIECKI RIP

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Peter Czarniecki. We commend his soul to the love and mercy of God and we offer our prayers and condolences to his wife, Barbara and all the family. At the time of going to print the funeral arrangements had not been finalized.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

In September we will be beginning the RCIA process for those adults who are considering becoming Roman Catholics and for those adult Catholics who, for one reason or another, never received the sacrament of Confirmation and now wish to complete their Christian initiation. Leaflets with information about the RCIA process are available at the back of the church. If you are interested in being a part of the RCIA process please complete the "About You" section on the leaflet and return it to Fr Shaun as soon as possible.

REGISTRATION FOR 1ST HOLY COMMUNION 2016

In June and July Fr Shaun will be registering children wishing to make their First Communion in **2016**. To be eligible children must be in Year 3 or above by September 2015 and attend Mass regularly in one of the three parishes. The expectation is that all children preparing for Holy Communion should already know how to make the sign of the cross and know the *Our Father*, *Hail Mary* and *Glory be*. These prayers should be taught and prayed in the home regularly. Parents may bring their child for registration on the following dates:

Saturday 27th June – Our Lady's Church Hall, Rickmansworth – 2.00pm to 3.00pm

Monday 29th June – Our Lady's Church Hall, Rickmansworth – 5.00pm to 6.00pm

Wednesday 1st July – St John the Evangelist Church, Mill End – 5.30pm to 6.30pm

It is essential that you bring with you to the meeting the child wishing to be prepared for Holy Communion. If your child was baptised somewhere other than Our Lady Help of Christians Rickmansworth, St John Fisher Chorleywood or St John the Evangelist, Mill End you will need to bring with you the child's baptismal certificate. You are welcome to bring your child to whichever of the registration times is best for you. Do not worry if the place of registration is not your usual church for Sunday Mass attendance. **First Communion preparation will continue to take place in the three parishes.**

RUNNING CLUB

The next run will take place on **Monday 1st June at 7.00pm**. Runners of all abilities from 18 years old upwards welcome. Distances and routes will be negotiated.

LET'S GET TOGETHER AND GROW GROUP

Do you have young babies / children and would like to meet up with other mums / carers who are parishioners at any of our three parishes for general support, sharing and chat? Why not join our small, friendly group which meets on a Monday morning from around 10 to 11.30/45 in the church hall at Our Lady's. We have plenty of toys for the babies and toddlers to play with and there is always tea, coffee and cake for the parents! We are normally there every Monday in term time (barring Bank Holidays and unforeseen circumstances). For more information, please contact Helen Nolan (01923 499523 / 07980 600549 or helenvnolan@ntlworld.com).

ST JOAN OF ARC'S "PARTY IN THE ARC" - SATURDAY 27TH JUNE 3.00PM - 6.00PM

There will be dance and music, sports challenges, various stalls including Bottle tombola, a bucking bronco for the brave and we are having a "Great JOA Bake off" stall where everyone can sample the delights of pupils/ staff/ parents or friends – as this is open to all. Please come along and support us.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

VOCATION EVENTS (JUNE)

How to be a "Missionary Disciple" retreat day for young adults (20's/30's), Saturday 13th June, 12.30 to 5pm in the Hinsley Room next to Westminster Cathedral led by the Westminster vocations team. For more info contact Fr Richard at richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk

Vocations pilgrimage to Walsingham, Saturday 20th June. An all-day pilgrimage by coach for those discerning their vocation and for those praying for them. Cost £15 to cover coach travel. Limited spaces available - for more info and to book a place contact Fr Richard at richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS - NOTICES

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR MEMBERS OF OUR LADY'S 200 CLUB

Would members of the parish 200 Club please collect a very important letter from the back of church this weekend.

COFFEE AFTER 8.30AM MASS (7TH JUNE)

Please join us in the hall for a catch up and make new parish friends at our coffee morning after Mass next Sunday.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION - CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

At the 11.00am next Sunday 7th June we will conclude the Mass (weather permitting) with a Corpus Christi procession around the grounds and Benediction at the Calvary. All the children in the parish who have made their first Holy Communion this year have been invited to attend this Mass in their 1st Communion clothes, so that the whole parish can celebrate with them.

1ST COMMUNION CELEBRATION PARTY

Parents of the 1st Communion children are reminded that the children will be having a party after the 11.00am Mass and Corpus Christi procession on Sunday 7th June. Please bring a plate of food for the children to share and a change of clothes for the children, so that they can change out of their 1st Communion clothes for games.

MORNING PRAYER AT OUR LADY'S

Morning Prayer of the Church is celebrated at **9.10am** at Our Lady's on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. We encourage parishioners who will be attending the 9.30am Mass on those days to come along and take part. At first it can be a little confusing to find the correct pages in the breviary, but guidance is always given and the more regularly you join in the more familiar you will become with how the celebration of the Daily Office works.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – PARISH REPRESENTATIVE

We are looking for a parishioner who might be willing to take on the role of Parish Representative for the Women's World Day of Prayer. If this is something you might be interested in, please speak to Fr Shaun.

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST - NOTICES

SUNDAY BRUNCH AT ST JOHN'S

The next Sunday Brunch at St John's (with bacon rolls) will take place this **Sunday 31st May**. All proceeds raised will go to support the work of Aid to the Church in Need.

PARISH PICNIC

I hope you all have the date in your diary, **Sunday 28th June** after the 10.30am Mass. I would ask that each family bring along a plate of savoury or sweet food that we can all enjoy. The Parish will provide the refreshments and some games for the children. If possible please bring the food into the hall before Mass that day. If you usually go to the Vigil Mass on Saturday evening please do come along. This is a Parish event. Let us pray for good weather. If you like any more information please see Geraldine Page at mass or ring 776100. Thank you.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2014

We still have photo's of your children. If you would like your child's photo back please collect them from the Church porch.

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ST JOHN FISHER - NOTICES

WEEKDAY MASS - TUESDAY 2ND JUNE

There will be no 9.30am Mass on Tuesday 2nd June as we have been unable to find any supply.

FR PETER STEVENS

We visited him last week. We found him quite frail but in good spirits. He sent his prayers and love for us all. *Maureen and Mary.*

FIRST COMMUNION MASS

This year's First Communion Mass will take place at the 9am Mass on Sunday 7th June. Six children and their families will be celebrating this special day and so regular attenders of this Mass should be aware that the chapel is likely to be very full.

CHRISTIAN AID

Thank you very much to all who so kindly helped in every way in the running of our Christian Aid Market. Willing helpers from all six Chorleywood Churches and customers from Chorleywood and many surrounding areas. Excellent results, better than last year, giving a total profit of £3080.00. Thank you very much to one and all.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT BEFORE THE SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

Beginning next **Saturday 6th June** there will be 25 minutes of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before the 6.00pm Mass on the first Saturday of the month. Exposition will begin at 5.30pm and conclude at 5.55pm. Prayer before Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament is an important part of Catholic worship and devotion. We hope that parishioners who attend the 6.00pm Mass will avail themselves of this monthly opportunity for quiet and reflective prayer. While the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar it is important that those arriving at the church for Mass try to be as silent as possible so that we can maintain an atmosphere of prayer and devotion.

	This Week 30 / 31 May				Next Week 6 / 7 June			
	Welcomer	Reader	Communion	Sunday Counters	Welcomer	Reader	Communion	Sunday Counters
6pm Vigil	M Fields	E O'Sullivan	C. Johnson	Mark Gibson	G F	E Page	M Latimer	Marguerite Watkins
9am Mass	A Opie	S Marston	J McEwen	Denis Gibney	D Gibney	L Munro	L Turnbull	Ann Brew
31 May Laundry: J Whelan 5 June Church Cleaning: T Barrett								